President Janie Tripp

This Thanksgiving, when I pause to think of all my blessings, one that I am most thankful for is my family and the opportunity to live on my Mississippi farm and raise cattle. Hurricanes, rain, and flooding have all impacted the farm during 2020, all beyond our control. I have not met a cattle person who has not experienced roadblocks like these from time-to-time. We all strive to make money by the end of the year. In my part of the country, we sure spend a lot of time talking about cattle, the markets, weather and making hay. But that’s just because it is our way of life. But sometimes we complain about this or that and forget to talk about everything that is right too.

Naming things I am thankful for, is something that I like to do. When I intentionally show gratitude, it helps me adjust the lenses that I look at life through.

I encourage you to take some time this Thanksgiving to express how you’re thankful. You can tell your friends and family around a dinner table or even share it on social media. It will help them, and it will help you. You might even write a few gratitude letters to your cattle family.

I wish you all a very blessed holiday! May all the good things of life be yours, not only at Thanksgiving but throughout the coming year.

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Reminder: Any application (membership, transfers, registration, etc.) submitted to CLRC will receive a $10 transaction fee.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:
A transaction fee of $10 needs to be added to any submission of applications (membership, transfers, registration) to CLRC. CLRC has received an increasing number of applications without the $10 fee. As it is, each unpaid handling fee is costing BGS $11.
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welcome to the Belted Galloway Society!

CALENDAR REMINDERS

RESCHEDULED FOR 2021:
*A complete list of cancelled and rescheduled events can be found at www.beltie.org

No new events.

AGRICULTURALLY SPEAKING

by Greg Hipple (IA)

Katelyn Folkmann, Benton County, Iowa Miss United States Agriculture visited Sutliff Belties, Greg & Pat Hipple, Solon, Iowa as part of her study of Heritage Cattle Breeds as she evolves in her role as a Spokesperson and Educator for Agriculture. In her visit to Sutliff Belties, Katelyn, who comes from a six generation farm herself, experienced Belted Galloway cattle for the first time. It was obvious she is sincere in her desire to represent and benefit all of agriculture, she expresses a natural ability to comprehend, and share her experiences with comfort and ease. Katelyn is shown with Pat Hipple and one of the Sutliff Belties bulls. Katelyn held the halter for a few photo’s herself, and commented, “This is my first time ever at the halter of a bull.”

Pictured: Katelyn Folkmann (IA) and Pat Hipple (IA)

Katelyn Folkmann is currently a 3rd year Senior at Cornell College in Mount Vernon, Iowa, with a major in Psychology and a minor in Theatre. She is from Newhall, Iowa, where her family lives on the Heritage Farm which was homesteaded by her great-great-great grandfather in 1854. She graduated from Benton Community High School in 2018.

Katelyn has been involved in 4-H since 4th Grade. Throughout her time in 4-H, she showed her family’s home-raised hogs and a good friend’s dairy calves. Katelyn found great pleasure...
in working with her animals before and during the fair. She is exceptionally proud of the fact that all five of the pigs she showed at the 2013 Benton County Fair were in the top ten of the swine carcass contest that year.

She has always had a love for the farm and agriculture. From a little girl, Katelyn would be helping her dad in the farrowing house or nursery, helping move sows across the yard, or riding in the combine with her late Grandfather during the harvest season. She still enjoys helping her parents during harvest.

Katelyn was crowned Benton County Fair Queen in the Summer of 2018. Throughout the rest of that year, she volunteered at a variety of events throughout the county and was able to fundraise over $3000 which was contributed to the Walk to End Alzheimer’s since both of her grandfathers passed on after suffering from the disease.

Katelyn goes above and beyond to help out anyone in need, no matter what the person is in need of. Her current role as a Residence Assistant at Cornell College has helped her not only in her knowledge for her future career, but also in her willingness to help other people. She hopes to use her career path to help farmer’s mental health, especially those who are stressed with the effects and variability of weather and the ever changing markets that span the globe. Her platform is “Bringing Awareness to Mental Health in Agriculture.”

Katelyn has been enjoying various farm visits throughout the state to learn more and more about different aspects of agriculture. She looks forward to each visit and every visit is a brand new learning experience! She has visited around 45 farms so far.

Katelyn will be representing Benton County in Iowa Miss United States Agriculture. Contestants will travel from all over the Midwest to Maryville, MO the weekend of November 21st, 2020 to compete for the honor to reign as an Iowa Miss United States Agriculture Queen.

WINTER BULL MANAGEMENT

by Heather Smith Thomas, Rancher
As seen in BEEF Magazine, OCTOBER 2020.

Bulls need as much care and attention through winter as your cow herd to make sure they stay healthy and will be ready for the next breeding season.

“Don’t forget to vaccinate them,” says John Kastelic, DVM, PhD, professor of cattle reproductive health, University of Calgary. Deworming may also be helpful, depending on the situation.

“If bulls are confined, feed them in a bunk rather than on the ground, to break the fecal-oral transmission of disease. If bulls are on pasture and fed hay or pellets, feed on clean ground,” he says. They need adequate diet during cold weather to maintain body temperature and not lose weight. They need a chance to regain body condition if they’ve lost weight.”

Make sure feed is free of mold or toxic material. “Sometimes we have issues with ergot on cereal grains. This can cause vasoconstriction and diminished circulation to the extremities. They can lose ear tips and suffer from gangrene. Certain molds can be harmful and some have estrogen-like properties which interfere with semen quality.”

Clean, unfrozen water is important, with minimal fecal contamination. “It’s best to have some kind of point water source like a stock trough, rather than drinking from a dugout or stream,” he says. To keep them out of a water source, it can be fenced off and the water piped to a trough, or delivered via nose-pump or some other system to keep it clean and prevent freezing.

Bulls should always have access to a salt/mineral mix, since mineral deficiencies can lead to health issues. Check with your herd health veterinarian or nutritionist to know what type of mineral supplement might be needed to balance the diet and make up for deficiencies in the feed. You may need to test your feeds to know what minerals will be needed.

Keep it clean

A clean, healthy environment is important. “Good management simply means doing a lot of things well—paying attention to all the small but important details such as vaccinations, parasite control, etc. It’s just basic good husbandry,” he says.

Lice can be an issue in winter, especially if bulls were not deloused, or if delousing was done too early in the fall. In either case, they may start rubbing out their hair before spring. In this situation, they should be treated for lice (or treated again). You don’t want them rubbing their hair off in cold weather and losing that insulating hair coat.

Prevent frostbite

“To prevent [scrotal] frostbite, bulls need adequate dietary energy, and a good windbreak like trees, a coulee, or a manmade windbreak with about 20% porosity (which works better than a solid barrier that the wind goes up and over). Bedding is also important, so bulls are not lying on frozen ground or in a snowdrift, or sleeping in a wet, filthy environment.” Bulls that are covered in frozen mud and manure lose much of the insulating quality of their hair coat.

“A little frostbite won’t be detrimental, especially if it’s just on the bottom part of the scrotum. This will generally heal. The bull might have temporary reduction in sperm quality, but unless you are fall calving and breeding cows during winter, it usually won’t be a problem,” he says.
If frostbite covers a larger area, like up the back side of the scrotum or halfway up the scrotum, this may create adhesions and the bull can’t raise and lower his testicles. If you are checking a bull and push the testes upward and the scrotum puckers up, this indicates there are some adhesions—with a relatively poor prognosis for recovery.”

Give ‘em room
Travis Olson, Ole Farms, Athabasca, Alberta, has had a lot of experience with bulls. This ranch has 1,100 registered Angus and 300 commercial cows.

“When taking care of bulls in general, especially older bulls, I give them lots of room. I prefer to keep and feed them in large pastures away from the cows and make sure they have good bedding in several areas. I don’t want them bedding in just one location because some bulls don’t get along. If I have 60 mature bulls out in one pasture I make sure they have bedding in at least two or three locations,” he says.

Otherwise some of them take a beating from other bulls. “The older bull might be dominant during the breeding season, but maybe he doesn’t have the energy or desire in the winter to put up with an aggressive young three-year-old that’s trying to come up through the pecking order. The older bull might be able to beat the younger bull, but he just doesn’t want to get into a scrap.”

Rather than constantly fighting to settle the pecking order over something trivial, an older bull might go off by himself in a corner of the pasture with no bedding. “You might notice issues with scrotal frostbite on these bulls because they don’t have the advantage of bedding and a windbreak. So make sure you have bedding and a good windbreak in at least two locations so that if an older bull is being pestered and doesn’t want anything to do with that situation, he has somewhere else to go. This is why I give them lots of room,” says Olson.

His yearling and two-year-old bulls are in a separate paddock and not with the mature bulls. As long as all the bulls have adequate feed for maintenance—and extra nutrition for the younger bulls that need to regain lost weight and keep growing—winter bull management is fairly simple.

JUNIOR SHOW
For the first time in several years we had enough Juniors to have a Belted Galloway Division in the heifer show, congratulations to all the juniors who participated. Alexa Adler (IN), Sawyer Bales (IN), Ashley Lohmann (IA), Jennifer Lohmann (IA), and Tommy McGuire (IN). Jennifer Lohmann (IA) had to show her appendix heifer in the AOB class.

PARTICIPATING FARMS
Betsy Hoene (IN), Hiland Oaks Farm (IA), Countyline Belties (IN), Sutliff Belties (IA), Crooked Creek Cattle Co. (IN), Jason Spaulding (IL), Eckleman Farm (IN), Oreo Acres (IL), Finke Farm (IN), Sunnybrook Farms (IL), Rock Creek Farm (IN), Oatley’s Farm (RI), TTT Farm (IN), Double M Ranch (TX)

**Grand Champion Cow/Calf**
Sunnybrook Jade
**Champion Heifer Calf**
Oatley’s Farm Rumchata
**Reserve Champion Heifer Calf**
Countyline Jeanie
**Champion Junior Heifer**
Sunnybrook Rosa
**Reserve Champion Junior Heifer**
Hiland Oaks Gabby
**Senior Champion Heifer**
Oatley’s Farm Miata
**Reserve Senior Champion Heifer**
SHF Fuchsia
**Grand Champion Heifer**
Oatley’s Farm Rumchata
**Reserve Champion Heifer**
Sunnybrook Rosa
**Champion Bull Calf**
Oatley’s Farm Omar
**Reserve Champion Bull Calf**
Sunnybrook Tony
**Champion Junior Bull**
Oatley’s Farm Schweddy
**Champion Senior Bull**
Doube M Freak
**Grand Champion Bull**
Oatley’s Farm Omar
**Reserve Champion Bull**
Oatley’s Farm Schweddy
**Grand Champion Purebred Steer**
Sunnybrook Barron
**Reserve Champions Purebred Steer**
Hiland Oaks Griffin
**Grand Champion Steer Appendix**
Rock Creek Pepe

Get of Sire
Oatley’s Farm
**Produce of Dam**
Sunnybrook Farms
**Best 4 Head**
Oatley’s Farm

OPEN SHOW
World Beef Expo came off with out a hitch even with the restrictions caused by the Covid-19 crisis. We had beautiful weather and everyone had a great time. Fourteen farms attended exhibiting 36 head of Belties. There were several new exhibitors with some traveling from as far away as the east coast and the southwest. The judge was very complimentary to all the exhibitors and cattle. He was impressed with the depth of quality throughout the entire show. Though none of the champions placed in the top 5 of the Supreme Drive they did draw alot of attention.
World Beef Expo Results

Grand Champion Heifer
Oatley’s Farm Rumchata (AI) 45057-B
Bred & Owned by Oatley’s Farm (RI)

Grand Champion Bull
Oatley’s Farm Omar 45309-B
Bred & Owned by Oatley’s Farm (RI)

Grand Champion Steer
Sunnybrook Barron 45020-B
Owned by Kaylee Eckleman (IN)
Bred by Sunnybrook Farms (IL)

Grand Champion Cow/Calf Pair
Sunnybrook Jade 39401-B
Bred & Owned by Sunnybrook Farms (IL)

Grand Champion Heifer (JR)
TTT Kate’s Granite 45254-B,W
Owned by Tommy McGuire (IN)
Bred by Sunnybrook Farms (IL)

Congrats Exhibitors!
IN- Herd reduction due to illness. Heifers, cows, calves. David Husted, Isidore Valley Farm, Ripley County, IN. (317) 372-4948 or hustedd2@gmail.com

OR- Five registered Belted Galloway heifers. All have nice belts and excellent bloodlines – some Aldermere. Would make a great addition to any herd. Pricing flexible for multiple purchases. For additional information contact Dike Dame, Anchor Farms, Yachats, OR at dikepdx@gmail.com or (503) 789-3521.

MI- Countryside Acres has 14 heifers for sale at various ages. We are trying to reduce our herd to a more manageable size and will offer them at low prices. We are located in Southwest Michigan. Please call Kreg Kincaid, Bloomingdale, MI at (269) 370-1800 or email at kreg@countryside-homes.com.

OK- Five fancy full-belt black heifers for sale. All are registered and out of a well-established herd at Waits Ridgeview Ranch west of Stillwater, OK. Very gentle and easy to handle. Would make a great starter herd. Please contact David Waits, Orlando, OK at dwaits@pdlr.net or (405) 747-8874.

KS- Y Knot Farm and Ranch has belted bulls with good dispositions for sale. Y Knot Elvis, dun, DOB 5/19/2017, 44154-D and Y Knot Frank, black, DOB 4/5/2018 43957-B are among Belties available including weanling heifers and steers. Call Jeter Isley at (785) 735-7210 or email yknottfarmandranch@gmail.com. Bulls will be performance tested by the seller.

NC- Dun Bull for sale. NC Rockwater Remington 45792-D, DOB 1/7/19. Outstanding temperament, belt, dark dun color. Dam is red, so this bull is red gene carrier. Impeccable bloodlines. Raised grass fed so genetics are true to gaining weight on grass. Ann Furr, Rockwater Farm, LLC Salisbury, NC (704) 798-3460 drfurr611@gmail.com.

OK- One heifer sired by Buffalo Dream Nathaniel the Great 40699-B and birthed by Aavalon Farm Moonglow A37516-B/4BGAR,M1. She weighs about 700 to 800 lbs., has a perfect belt and runs with cows that will eat from your hand. Would like to trade for an older registered cow. Transportation can be negotiated. Can be seen near Mtn. View, OK. Contact Todd Zimmerman (405) 761-2663. Current photos can be sent upon request.

SD- Two young red Belted Galloway bulls that are looking for a new pasture. (First photo) MRB’S Red Chaparel 859 45569-R. He was born 6/5/2018 with a birth weight of 62 lbs. His sire is Swamp Molly Dakota 36459-R which was purchased from Driftwood as a cow/calf pair. His dam is KPA Red Sparkle 39655-R. Chaparel was used on two heifers and two cows this spring. (Second photo) is MRB’S Red Simon Says 964 45566-R. He was born on 4/9/2019 with a birth weight of 66 lbs. His sire is Blissful Jonas 32549-R. His dam is MRB’S Nolita C584 (AI)(ET) 39197-R She is a Starlite Redman daughter. I used him on four heifers this spring. They are bred to be red. If you need more information call (605) 881-5891. Marv Bohnet, Hazel, South Dakota. North Eastern South Dakota, Worlds largest breeder of JUST Red Belted Galloway cattle. mrbs_redbgalloway@yahoo.com

IA- For sale: Big Creek Farm has several young females available. A two- year-old belted heifer with an August bull calf at side, pasture exposed to Sutliff’s Donald Vernon and weanling heifers available late fall or early winter are offered for sale. Please call Karen Thornton, Mount Vernon, IA at (319)389-9647 or email big-creek@msn.com

ME- Mitchell Ledge has a wide range of Black Belted breeding stock available. Also, feeder calves. Transport available. Call/text Andy LeMaistre, Freeport, ME at (207) 838-0402, email Andy@MitchellLedgeFarm.com

NH- Holbrook Hill Farm offers a coming two-year-old black heifer, DOB 9/18/18, registration #44477, by Shiralee Moonshine, out of an excellent Ridgeview Mario daughter. She is a member of one of the foundation female families at Holbrook Hill Farm. The family has demonstrated exceptional productivity and longevity. The heifer’s dam is still in production at 10 years of age, and her granddam remains in the herd at age 18. The heifer is a long-sided, deep-ribbed female with all the substance and natural thickness to make a superior brood cow. Holbrook Hill Farm also offers for sale a yearling black future herd sire, DOB 5/7/19, registration #45199, by a son of many times champion Holbrook Hill Zulu Warrior III. His dam is a super Mar-Pine Maurice daughter whose genetics trace to the famous Beaver Dam herd. He is a larger framed, extremely long-sided, nice-profiled bull, with excellent feet and legs, and a very sweet and gentle disposition. He should add a tick of frame, eye appeal, to moderate frame females. Contact Dave Richmond, (845) 323-9232 or heathcote.dr@gmail.com. Holbrook Hill Farm is located in Bedford, New Hampshire.
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